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absurd, as a weak mortal can no more be answerable for his persuasions, notions, or even skepticism in Religion, than for the color of his skin.

And I do appoint the above mentioned Alexander White and Charles M. Thruston Executors of my last will and testament, and do revoke all other wills by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the — day —, in the year of our Lord One Thousand seven Hundred and Eighty-two.

CHARLES LEE. [Seal.]

Signed, sealed, published and delivered by the said Major General Charles Lee, as, and for his last will and testament. In presence of

James Smith.  
Samuel Swearingen.  
William Garrard.

Omitted—All my slaves which I may be possessed of at the time of my decease, I bequeath to Guisippi Minghini and Elizabeth Dnnn, to be equally divided between them.

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## BOOK REVIEWS.

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**SOME VIRGINIA FAMILIES.** Being the Genealogies of the Kinney, Stribling, Trout, McIlhany, Milton, Rogers, Tate, Snickers, Taylor, McCormick and other families of Virginia. By Hugh Milton McIlhany, Jr., M. A., Ph. D. 1903. Staunton, Va., Stoneburner & Purfer, Printers. 1903. Pp. 274.

Mr. McIlhany has been for several years engaged in a minute and careful investigation preparatory to the work which now appears in print. As a result of his painstaking investigations there seems to be great accuracy of detail, and no doubt comprehensiveness as well.

There is hardly any criticism which can be found with Mr. McIlhany's book. The Striblings were resident in Virginia and in Stafford county many years before the date assigned by the author; but this fact is given in a record only recently brought to light and which was not accessible when the book was prepared.

But with such slight exceptions as these, "Some Virginia Families" can be highly commended to all persons interested in the families described.

In addition to the main line treated of, there are useful summaries in regard to a number of others. Among these may be named the families of Whitesides, Holloway, Fisher, Ambler, Porterfield, Farrar, Stevenson, Taliaferro, Kilgour and Taylor.

The book has a good index and contains twenty-one portraits.

**GLEANINGS OF VIRGINIA.** An Historical and Genealogical Collection Largely from Original Sources. Compiled and Published by William Fletcher Boogher. Washington, D. C. 1903.

Mr. Boogher, in his "Gleanings," has gathered a good deal of new and interesting matter, and reprinted some things which will be serviceable to those who do not have access to *Henning's Statutes at Large of Virginia*.

He begins with a good summary of the principle events in the French and Indian war, and follows this by a reprint of the lists of the Virginia militia in active service, which are contained in the seventh volume of *Henning*. It would have been well if he could have given references in the index to all of the names contained in these lists; but this would of course have greatly enlarged the index.

A poll list of Prince William county in 1741, and another for Fairfax in 1744, are useful as giving the names of the freeholders of those counties at the dates named. Pages 134-151, inclusive, give a list of balances of specie due officers of the Virginia line in 1782 and 1783, which forms a valuable addition to our Revolutionary army records. The same may be said of the roster of Daniel Morgan's company, July, 1775; the pay roll of a detachment of the Third Virginia regiment, the date of which is misprinted 1776, instead of 1778; the roster of Capt. Buck's (Dunmore Co.) company of militia; balances due dead and deserted of the First Virginia State regiment, September, 1777 to January, 1778 (where only six deserters are found); the pay rolls of the First (Va.) regiment of light dragoons; the Loudoun county militia officers; the roster of Captain John Given's (Augusta county) militia company, 1777-1782; and the list of officers of the Virginia line who served at the siege of Yorktown.

There are also published several Revolutionary letters.

The genealogies comprise those of the Newman family, the descendants of Hugh Thomas, of Westmoreland county, the Craig family of Augusta county; that of Anderson, descended from John Anderson, of Augusta; Davis, of Spotsylvania county, and the Smith and Harrison families, of Rockingham. Several lists of marriages and burials will be of use to the genealogist.

The book is well printed and (with the exception mentioned in regard to the militia lists); there is a serviceable index.